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veteran or a third party contracting or dealing with such veteran which might otherwise result.

[24 FR 2657, Apr. 7, 1959]

§ 36.4408 Delegation of authority.

(a) Except as hereinafter provided, each employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs heretofore or hereafter appointed to, or lawfully filling, any position designated in paragraph (b) of this section is hereby delegated authority, within the limitations and conditions prescribed by law, to exercise the powers and functions of the Secretary with respect to assisting eligible veterans to acquire specially adapted housing.

(b) Designated positions:

Under Secretary for Benefits.

Director, Loan Guaranty Service.

Assistant Director for Construction and Valuation.

Chief, Specially Adapted Housing Unit, Loan Guaranty Service.

Director, Medical and Regional Office Center

Director, VA Regional Office and Insurance Center.

Director, VA Regional Office.

Loan Guaranty Officer.

Assistant Loan Guaranty Officer.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize any employee designated in paragraph (b) of this section to determine basic eligibility or medical feasibility, except as otherwise authorized.

[13 FR 7282, Nov. 27, 1948, as amended at 19 FR 3225, June 2, 1954; 46 FR 43674, Aug. 31, 1981; 61 FR 28059, June 4, 1996]

§ 36.4409 Guaranteed or insured loans under 38 U.S.C. chapter 37.

In any case where, in addition to the benefits of chapter 21, the veteran will utilize the veteran's entitlement to the loan guaranty or insurance benefits of 38 U.S.C. chapter 37, the complete transaction must be in accord with applicable regulations promulgated thereunder excepting §36.4306 thereof.

 $[24 \ \mathrm{FR} \ 2657, \ \mathrm{Apr.} \ 7, \ 1959, \ \mathrm{as} \ \mathrm{amended} \ \mathrm{at} \ 46 \ \mathrm{FR} \ 43674, \ \mathrm{Aug.} \ 31, \ 1981]$

§ 36.4410 Allocation of the funds of the grant.

Any amount payable as a grant under section 2101(a), chapter 21 may be re-

quired by the Secretary to be utilized as the Secretary deems advisable for payment of any of the following costs or debts which are obligations of the veteran before any part of the grant may be paid to the veteran directly:

- (a) Cost of necessary land,
- (b) Cost of constructing, adapting, or remodeling a housing unit.
- (c) Delinquent taxes secured by a lien on the housing unit,
- (d) Reduction or retirement of any indebtedness incurred in connection with the purchase, construction, or remodeling of a housing unit on which the grant is made.

[13 FR 7283, Nov. 27, 1948, as amended at 46 FR 43674, Aug. 31, 1981]

§36.4411 Geographical limits.

Any real property purchased, constructed, altered, improved, repaired, or specially adapted, in whole or in part, with the proceeds of any specially adapted housing grant, shall be situated in the United States, which, for purposes of 38 U.S.C. chapter 21, is defined as the several States, Territories, and possessions, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other area over which the United States may, at some future date, acquire sovereignty.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501, 2101 (a) and (b)) [47 FR 29231, July 6, 1982]

Subpart D—Direct Loans

NOTE: Those requirements, conditions, or limitations which are expressly set forth in 38 U.S.C. chapter 37 are not restated herein and must be taken into consideration in the interpretation or application of the regulations concerning direct loans to veterans.

[24 FR 2658, Apr. 7, 1959]

§ 36.4500 Applicability.

- (a) The regulations concerning direct loans to veterans shall be applicable to loans made by Department of Veterans Affairs pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 3711.
- (b) Sections 36.4501, 36.4512, and 36.4527, which concern direct loans to